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-----152355Z 100087 /66  
O 152328Z APR 77  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY MADRID IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 085607

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: TECH, ENRG, SP

SUBJECT: U.S.-SPANISH NUCLEAR COOPERATION

REF: (A) MADRID 2838 (B) MADRID 2312

1. WE REGRET THAT THE SPANISH NOTE (REF A) DOES NOT MEET OUR NEEDS. THE PHRASE "ACCEPTS THE SAFEGUARDS PROPOSALS ON NUCLEAR MATERIAL AS EXPRESSED IN THE EMBASSY'S NOTE VERBALE" CREATES DOUBTLESS UNINTENDED AMBIGUITY SINCE IT COULD MEAN THAT SPANISH ACCEPTANCE IS LIMITED TO THE FINAL PHRASE IN THE EMBASSY'S NOTE WHICH READS "SAFEGUARDS PROVIDED UNDER THE TRILATERAL AGREEMENT" (REF B).
2. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE HAVE UNAMBIGUOUS AGREEMENT BY THE GOS TO THE ENTIRE UNDERSTANDING SET FORTH IN THE EMBASSY'S NOTE.
3. THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ASK THE GOS TO PROVIDE A NEW NOTE WHICH CLOSELY FOLLOWS LANGUAGE SUGGESTED IN PARA  
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4 OF THIS MESSAGE OR CLARIFY THE PRESENT NOTE ALONG THE  
LINES SUGGESTED BELOW IN PARA 5.

4. WE WOULD PREFER THAT THE EMBASSY SUGGEST A NEW NOTE IN  
PLACE OF THE APRIL 13 NOTE WHICH WOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:

(COMPLIMENTARY OPENING) "AND HAS THE HONOR TO STATE THAT

IT ACCEPTS THE UNDERSTANDING CONTAINED IN THE EMBASSY'S  
NOTE VERBALE NO. 202 THAT THE MATERIAL SUBJECT TO THE  
AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS CON-  
CERNING THE CIVIL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY WILL NOT BE USED  
FOR ANY NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICE, REGARDLESS OF HOW THE  
DEVICE ITSELF IS INTENDED TO BE USED AND THAT THE SAFE-  
GUARDS PROVIDED UNDER THE TRILATERAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE  
GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY WILL  
VERIFY THAT SUCH MATERIAL IS NOT SO USED." (COMPLIMENTARY  
CLOSING.)

5. ALTERNATIVELY, THE EMBASSY MAY SUGGEST THAT THE SPANISH  
CLARIFY THEIR PRESENT NOTE BY CHANGING THE LANGUAGE TO  
READ THAT IT "ACCEPTS THE UNDERSTANDING CONTAINED IN THE  
EMBASSY'S NOTE VERBALE CONCERNING MATERIAL SUBJECT TO THE  
AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS ON  
THE CIVIL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY."  
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